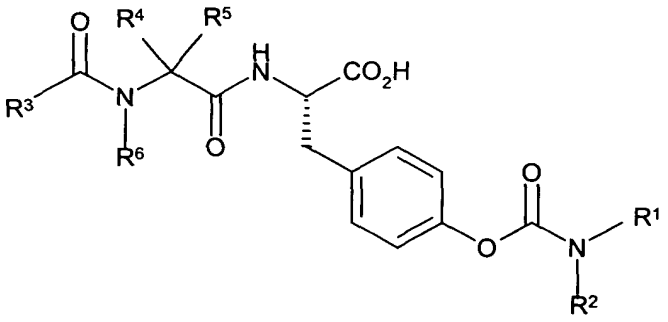
29. A compound of formula I:



(I)

wherein R^1 and R^2 independently represent

(i) -C_{1-6} alkyl, -C_{3-8} cycloalkyl or -C_{1-3} alkylC_{3-8} cycloalkyl,

or such a group in which alkyl or cycloalkyl is substituted by one or more halogen, -CN, nitro, hydroxy or -OC_{1-6}alkyl groups;

(ii) -$(CH_2)_eAr^1$ or -$(CH_2)_eOAr^1$;

or NR^1R^2 together represent pyrrolidinyl, piperidinyl, piperazinyl, thiomorpholinyl, morpholinyl or azepinyl, or such a group fused to a benzene ring, optionally substituted by one or more -$(CO)_n(CH_2)_tAr^1$, -$(CO)_nC_{1-6}$ alkylAr^1Ar^2, -$(CO)_nC_{1-6}$alkyl, -$(CH_2)_rOH$, -$(CH_2)_rO(CH_2)_pOH$, -$(CH_2)_rOC_{1-6}$ alkyl, -$O(CH_2)_tAr^1$, -$(CH_2)_rSO_2Ar^1$, piperidin-1-yl, -$(CH_2)_tCONR^8R^9$, -$NR^{10}(CO)_n(CH_2)_tAr^1$, -$NR^{10}(CO)_nC_{1-3}$alkyl$C_{3-6}$ cycloalkyl, -$NR^{10}(CO)_nC_{1-6}$ alkyldiC_{3-6} cycloalkyl, -$CONR^{10}(CH_2)_tAr^1$, halogen, -$NHSO_2C_{1-6}$alkyl, -$SO_2NR^{10}R^{11}$, -SO_2C_{1-6} alkyl or -SO_2Ar^2 groups;

R^3 represents -C_{1-6}alkylNHC(=NH)NH_2, -C_{2-6}alkenylNHC(=NH)NH_2, -C_{2-6}alkynylNHC(=NH)NH_2, -C_{1-6}alkyl$NR^{14}R^{18}$, -$(CH_2)_hCONR^{14}R^{18}$, -$(CH_2)_hCOC_{1-6}$alkyl, -$(CH_2)_dCHNR^{18}CONR^{20}R^{21}$, -$(CH_2)_mNR^{18}CONR^{14}R^{18}$, -$(CH_2)_dNR^{18}Ar^3$, -$(CH_2)_dCONR^{18}Ar^3$, -$(CH_2)_hCOOR^{18}$, -$(CH_2)_cAr^3$, -$O(CH_2)_cAr^3$, -$(CH_2)_dCO(CH_2)_sAr^3$ or -$(CH_2)_dOAr^3$;

or R^3 represents -$(CH_2)_c$-2,4-imidazolidinedione, -$(CH_2)_c$(piperidin-4-yl), -$(CH_2)_c$(piperidin-3-yl), -$(CH_2)_c$(piperidin-2-yl), -$(CH_2)_c$(morpholin-3-yl) or -$(CH_2)_c$(morpholin-2-yl) optionally substituted on nitrogen by -$(CO)_fC_{1-6}$alkyl, -$(CO)_f(CH_2)_cAr^2$ or -C(=NH)NH_2;

or R^3 represents -$(CH_2)_z$dibenzofuran optionally substituted by -C_{1-6}alkyl or halogen;

or R^3 represents -$(CH_2)_c$-thioxanthen-9-one;

R^4 represents hydrogen, -C_{1-6} alkyl, -C_{1-3} alkylC_{3-6} cycloalkyl, -$(CH_2)_qAr^2$, -C_{1-4}alkyl-X-R^7, -C_{1-4}alkyl SO_2C_{1-4} alkyl, -C_{1-6}alkyl$NR^{12}R^{13}$ or -C_{1-6} alkyl$NR^{12}COC_{1-6}$ alkyl;

R^5 represents hydrogen, or R^4R^5 together with the carbon to which they are attached form a C_{5-7} cycloalkyl ring;

R^6 represents hydrogen or -C_{1-6}alkyl, or R^6 and R^4 together with the N and C atoms to which they are respectively attached form a pyrrolidine ring;

R^7 represents hydrogen, -$(CH_2)_wNR^{12}R^{13}$, -$(CH_2)_uAr^2$ or -$(CH_2)_wNR^{12}COC_{1-6}$ alkyl;

R^8, R^9, R^{16} and R^{17} independently represent hydrogen, -C_{1-6}alkyl, -C_{3-6}cycloalkyl, -C_{1-3} alkylC_{3-6} cycloalkyl, -C_{2-6}alkenyl or NR^8R^9 or $NR^{16}R^{17}$ together represents morpholinyl, pyrrolidinyl, piperidinyl, piperazinyl or piperazinyl N-substituted by -C_{1-6} alkyl, -COphenyl or -SO_2methyl;

R^{10}, R^{11}, R^{12}, R^{13}, R^{15}, R^{18}, R^{20} and R^{21} independently represent hydrogen or -C_{1-6}alkyl;

R^{14}, R^{19} and R^{22} independently represent hydrogen, -C_{1-6}alkyl, -C_{3-6} cycloalkyl or -$(CH_2)_x Ar^4$ or $NR^{14}R^{18}$ or $NR^{15}R^{22}$ together represents morpholinyl, pyrrolidinyl, piperidinyl, piperazinyl or N-C_{1-6}alkylpiperazinyl;

Ar^1 represents phenyl or a 5 or 6 membered heterocyclic aromatic ring containing 1 to 3 heteroatoms selected from O, N and S optionally substituted by one or more halogen, C_{1-6}alkyl, hydroxy, -OC_{1-6}alkyl, CF_3, nitro, -Ar^2 or -OAr^2 groups;

Ar^2 represents phenyl optionally substituted by one or more halogen, -C_{1-6}alkyl, hydroxy, -OC_{1-6}alkyl, -CF_3 or nitro groups;

Ar^3 represents phenyl, a 5 or 6 membered heterocyclic aromatic ring containing 1 to 3 heteroatoms selected from O, N or S, or such a group fused to a benzene ring, optionally substituted by one or more -$CO(CH_2)_gAr^4$, -$(CH_2)_yAr^4$, -$(CH_2)_yCOAr^4$, -$(CO)_aC_{1-6}$ alkyl, -$(CO)_aC_{2-6}$ alkenyl, -$(CO)_aC_{2-6}$ alkynyl, -$(CO)_aC_{3-8}$cycloalkyl, -$(CO)_aC_{1-6}$haloalkyl, halogen, -$COCH_2CN$, -$(CH_2)_bNR^{16}R^{17}$, -$(CH_2)_b$ $NHC(=NH)NH_2$, -$CYNR^{16}(CO)_aR^{17}$, -$(CH_2)_bNR^{15}COR^{19}$, -$(CH_2)_bCONR^{15}R^{22}$, -$(CH_2)_bNR^{15}CONR^{15}R^{22}$, -$(CH_2)_bCONR^{15}(CH_2)_jNR^{15}R^{22}$, -$(CH_2)_bSO_2NR^{15}R^{22}$, -$(CH_2)_bSO_2NR^{15}COAr^2$, -$(CH_2)_bNR^{15}SO_2R^{19}$, -$SO_2R^{19}$, -$SOR^{19}$, -$(CH_2)_zOH$, -$COOR^{15}$, -CHO, -$OC_{1-10}$alkyl, -$O(CH_2)_jNR^{15}R^{22}$, -$O(CH_2)_jNHC(=NH)NH_2$, -$O(CH_2)_bCONR^{16}R^{17}$, -$O(CH_2)_kCOOR^{15}$, -$O(CH_2)_jOAr^2$, -$O(CH_2)_bAr^2$, 3-phenyl-2-pyrazolin-5-one or 4,5-dihydro-3(2H)-pyridazinone groups;

Ar^4 represents phenyl or a 5 or 6 membered heterocyclic aromatic ring containing 1 to 3 heteroatoms selected from O, N and S optionally substituted by one or more halogen, -C_{1-6}alkyl, hydroxy, -OC_{1-6}alkyl, -CF_3, nitro or -$CONH_2$ groups;

X and Y independently represent O or S;

a, f, k, s and n independently represent 0 or 1;

b, c, r, x, y and z independently represent an integer 0 to 2;

d, g and u independently represent 1 or 2;

e, h, q and w independently represent an integer 1 to 3;

j and p independently represent an integer 2 to 4;

m independently represents an integer 0 to 4;

t independently represents an integer 0 to 3;

and salts and solvates thereof.

30. A compound according to claim 29 wherein R^4 represents -C_{1-6} alkyl, R^5 represents hydrogen or R^4R^5, together with the carbon to which they are attached, forms a cyclohexyl ring, and R^6 represents hydrogen or methyl.

31. A compound according to claim 30 wherein R^4 represents -C_{1-6} alkyl and R^5 and R^6 represent hydrogen.

32. A compound according to claim 31 wherein R^4 represents -CH_2CHMe_2 and R^5 and R^6 represent hydrogen.

33. A compound according to claim 29 wherein NR^1R^2 together represents piperidinyl, piperazinyl, thiomorpholinyl, morpholinyl or 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline optionally substituted by a -$(CO)_n(CH_2)_rAr^1$, -$(CO)_nC_{1-6}$alkyl, -$(CH_2)_tCONR^8R^9$, -$NR^{10}(CO)_n(CH_2)_rAr^1$, -$NR^{10}(CO)_nC_{1-3}$ alkylC_{3-6} cycloalkyl, -$NR^{10}(CO)_nC_{1-6}$ alkyldiC_{3-6} cycloalkyl, -$(CH_2)_rOC_{1-6}$ alkyl, -$(CH_2)_rO(CH_2)_pOH$, piperidin-1-yl, -$(CH_2)_rOH$ or -$CONR^{10}(CH_2)_rAr^1$ group.

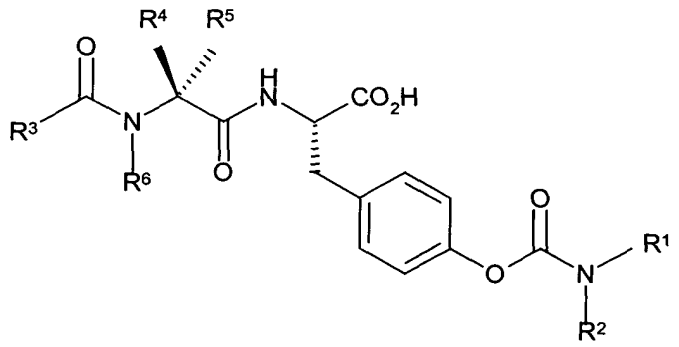
34. A compound according to claim 33 wherein NR^1R^2 together represents morpholinyl or piperazinyl optionally N-substituted by -$(CO)_nC_{1-6}$ alkyl, piperazinyl N-substituted by -$(CO)_n(CH_2)_rAr^1$, piperidinyl substituted by -$NR^{10}(CO)_n(CH_2)_rAr^1$ or piperidinyl substituted by -$(CH_2)_tCONR^8R^9$.

35. A compound according to claim 29 wherein R^3 represents -$(CH_2)_c$-2,4-imidazolidinedione-3-yl, -$(CH_2)_c$-thioxanthen-9-one-3-yl, -$(CH_2)_cAr^3$, -$O(CH_2)_cAr^3$, -$(CH_2)_dOAr^3$ or -$(CH_2)_z$dibenzofuran.

36. A compound according to claim 35 wherein R^3 represents -OCH_2Ar^3, -CH_2OAr^3 or dibenzofuran.

37. A compound according to claim 36 wherein R^3 represents -CH_2OAr^3.

38. A compound according to claim 29 wherein R^4 and R^5 have the stereochemical orientation shown in formula (Ia):



(Ia)

39. A compound of formula (I) which is:

(2S)-2-[((2S)-2-{[2-(2-Benzoylphenoxy)acetyl]amino}-4-methyl pentanoyl)amino]-3-{4-[({4-[(2-phenylacetyl)amino]-1-piperidinyl}carbonyl) oxy]phenyl}propanoic acid;
(2S)-2-({(2S)-4-Methyl-2-[(2-{[3-(1-piperidinylcarbonyl)-2-naphthyl] oxy}acetyl)amino]pentanoyl}amino)-3-{4-[({4-[(2-phenylacetyl)amino]-1-piperidinyl}carbonyl)oxy]phenyl}propanoic acid;
(2S)-3-{4-[({4-[(2,2-Dicyclohexylacetyl)amino]-1-piperidinyl}carbonyl) oxy]phenyl}-2-{[(2S)-4-methyl-2-({2-[4-(1-piperidinylcarbonyl)phenoxy]acetyl} amino)pentanoyl]amino}propanoic acid;
(2S)-2-{[(2S)-4-Methyl-2-({2-[4-(1-piperidinylcarbonyl)phenoxy] acetyl}amino)pentanoyl]amino}-3-{4-[(4-morpholinylcarbonyl)oxy]phenyl} propanoic acid;
(2S)-3-[4-({[4-(Aminocarbonyl)-1-piperidinyl]carbonyl}oxy)phenyl]-2-{[(2S)-4-methyl-2-({2-[4-(1-piperidinylcarbonyl)phenoxy]acetyl}amino)pentanoyl] amino}propanoic acid;
(2S)-3-{4-[({4-[(2-Cyclohexylacetyl)amino]-1-piperidinyl}carbonyl) oxy]phenyl}-2-[((2S)-2-{[2-(2-iodophenoxy)acetyl]amino}-4-methylpentanoyl) amino]propanoic acid;
(2S)-3-{4-[({4-[(2,2-Dicyclohexylacetyl)amino]-1-piperidinyl}carbonyl) oxy]phenyl}-2-[((2S)-2-{[2-(2-iodophenoxy)acetyl]amino}-4-methylpentanoyl) amino]propanoic acid;
(2S)-2-({(2S)-2-[(Dibenzo[b,d]furan-4-ylcarbonyl)amino]-4-methyl pentanoyl}amino)-3-{4-[(4-morpholinylcarbonyl)oxy]phenyl}propanoic acid;
(2S)-2-({(2S)-2-[(Dibenzo[b,d]furan-4-ylcarbonyl)amino]-4-methyl pentanoyl}amino)-3-{4-[({4-[(2-phenylacetyl)amino]-1-piperidinyl}carbonyl)oxy] phenyl}propanoic acid;
(2S)-2-[((2S)-2-{[2-(2-Iodophenoxy)acetyl]amino}-4-methyl pentanoyl)amino]-3-{4-[({4-[(2-phenylacetyl)amino]-1-piperidinyl}carbonyl)oxy] phenyl}propanoic acid;
(2S)-3-(4-{[(4-Acetyl-1-piperazinyl)carbonyl]oxy}phenyl)-2-[((2S)-2-{[2-(2-iodophenoxy)acetyl]amino}-4-methylpentanoyl)amino]propanoic acid;
(2S)-3-(4-{[(4-Benzoyl-1-piperazinyl)carbonyl]oxy}phenyl)-2-[((2S)-2-{[2-(2-iodophenoxy)acetyl]amino}-4-methylpentanoyl)amino]propanoic acid;
(2S)-3-(4-{[(4-Benzoyl-1-piperazinyl)carbonyl]oxy}phenyl)-2-[((2S)-2-{[2-(2,4-dichlorophenoxy)acetyl]amino}-4-methylpentanoyl)amino]propanoic acid;
(2S)-3-[4-({[4-(Aminocarbonyl)-1-piperidinyl]carbonyl}oxy)phenyl]-2-[((2S)-2-{[2-(2-iodophenoxy)acetyl]amino}-4-methylpentanoyl)amino]propanoic acid;
(2S)-2-{[(2S)-2-({2-[2-(Tert-butyl)phenoxy]acetyl}amino)-4-methyl pentanoyl]amino}-3-[4-({[4-(1-piperidinylcarbonyl)-1-piperidinyl]carbonyl}oxy) phenyl]propanoic acid;

(2S)-2-[((2S)-4-Methyl-2-{[2-(2-methylphenoxy)acetyl]amino} pentanoyl)amino]-3-[4-({[4-(1-piperidinylcarbonyl)-1-piperidinyl]carbonyl}oxy) phenyl]propanoic acid;

(2S)-2-({(2S)-2-[(Dibenzo[b,d]furan-4-ylcarbonyl)amino]-4-methyl pentanoyl}amino)-3-[4-({[4-(1-piperidinylcarbonyl)-1-piperidinyl]carbonyl}oxy) phenyl]propanoic acid;

(2S)-2-{[(2S)-2-({2-[(1-Bromo-2-naphthyl)oxy]acetyl}amino)-4-methylpentanoyl]amino}-3-[4-({[4-(1-piperidinylcarbonyl)-1-piperidinyl]carbonyl} oxy)phenyl]propanoic acid;

(2S)-2-{[(2S)-2-({2-[2-(Tert-butyl)phenoxy]acetyl}amino)-4-methyl pentanoyl]amino}-3-(4-{[(4-{[(4-fluorobenzyl)amino]carbonyl}-1-piperidinyl) carbonyl]oxy}phenyl)propanoic acid;

(2S)-2-[((2S)-2-{[2-(2,4-Dichlorophenoxy)acetyl]amino}-4-methyl pentanoyl)amino]-3-{4-[(4-morpholinylcarbonyl)oxy]phenyl}propanoic acid;

(2S)-2-[((2S)-2-{[2-(2-Benzoylphenoxy)acetyl]amino}-4-methyl pentanoyl)amino]-3-{4-[(4-morpholinylcarbonyl)oxy]phenyl}propanoic acid;

(2S)-2-[((2S)-4-Methyl-2-{[2-(2-propylphenoxy)acetyl]amino} pentanoyl)amino]-3-{4-[(4-morpholinylcarbonyl)oxy]phenyl}propanoic acid;

(2S)-2-{[(2S)-2-({2-[(1-Bromo-2-naphthyl)oxy]acetyl}amino)-4-methylpentanoyl]amino}-3-{4-[(4-morpholinylcarbonyl)oxy]phenyl}propanoic acid;

(2S)-2-[((2S)-2-{[(Benzyloxy)carbonyl]amino}-4-methylpentanoyl) amino]-3-{4-[(4-morpholinylcarbonyl)oxy]phenyl}propanoic acid;

(2S)-3-[4-({[4-(2-Furoyl)-1-piperazinyl]carbonyl}oxy)phenyl]-2-[((2S) -2-{[2-(2-iodophenoxy)acetyl]amino}-4-methylpentanoyl)amino]propanoic acid;

(2S)-2-[((2S)-2-{[2-(2-Cyclohexylphenoxy)acetyl]amino}-4-methyl pentanoyl)amino]-3-[4-({[4-(2-furoyl)-1-piperazinyl]carbonyl}oxy)phenyl] propanoic acid;

(2S)-2-{[(2S)-2-({2-[(1-Bromo-2-naphthyl)oxy]acetyl}amino)-4-methylpentanoyl]amino}-3-[4-({[4-(2-furoyl)-1-piperazinyl]carbonyl}oxy)phenyl] propanoic acid;

(2S)-3-(4-{[(4-{[2-(4-Chlorophenyl)acetyl]amino}-1-piperidinyl) carbonyl]oxy}phenyl)-2-[((2S)-2-{[2-(2-cyclohexylphenoxy)acetyl]amino}-4-methylpentanoyl)amino]propanoic acid;

(2S)-2-[((2S)-2-{[2-(2-Benzoylphenoxy)acetyl]amino}-4-methyl pentanoyl)amino]-3-(4-{[(4-{[2-(4-chlorophenyl)acetyl]amino}-1-piperidinyl) carbonyl]oxy}phenyl)propanoic acid;

(2S)-3-(4-{[(4-{[2-(4-Chlorophenyl)acetyl]amino}-1-piperidinyl) carbonyl]oxy}phenyl)-2-[((2S)-2-{[2-(2-iodophenoxy)acetyl]amino}-4-methyl pentanoyl)amino]propanoic acid;

(2S)-2-{[(2S)-2-({2-[2-(Tert-butyl)phenoxy]acetyl}amino)-4-methyl pentanoyl]amino}-3-(4-{[(4-{[2-(4-chlorophenyl)acetyl]amino}-1-piperidinyl) carbonyl]oxy}phenyl)propanoic acid;

(2S)-3-(4-{[(4-{[2-(4-Chlorophenyl)acetyl]amino}-1-piperidinyl) carbonyl]oxy}phenyl)-2-({(2S)-2-[(dibenzo[b,d]furan-4-ylcarbonyl)amino]-4-methylpentanoyl}amino)propanoic acid;

(2S)-3-(4-{[(4-{[2-(4-Chlorophenyl)acetyl]amino}-1-piperidinyl) carbonyl]oxy}phenyl)-2-({(2S)-4-methyl-2-[(2-{[3-(1-piperidinylcarbonyl)-2-naphthyl]oxy}acetyl)amino]pentanoyl}amino)propanoic acid;

(2S)-2-{[(2S)-2-({2-[2-(Tert-butyl)phenoxy]acetyl}amino)-4-methyl pentanoyl]amino}-3-{4-[({4-[(2-cyclohexylacetyl)amino]-1-piperidinyl}carbonyl) oxy]phenyl}propanoic acid;

(2S)-2-{[(2S)-2-({2-[2-(Tert-butyl)phenoxy]acetyl}amino)-4-methyl pentanoyl]amino}-3-{4-[({4-[(2,2-dicyclohexylacetyl)amino]-1-piperidinyl} carbonyl)oxy]phenyl}propanoic acid;

(2S)-2-[((2S)-4-Methyl-2-{[2-(2-methylphenoxy)acetyl]amino} pentanoyl)amino]-3-{4-[({4-[(2-phenylacetyl)amino]-1-piperidinyl}carbonyl) oxy]phenyl}propanoic acid;

(2S)-2-[((2S)-2-{[2-(2-Cyclohexylphenoxy)acetyl]amino}-4-methyl pentanoyl)amino]-3-{4-[({4-[(2-phenylacetyl)amino]-1-piperidinyl}carbonyl) oxy]phenyl}propanoic acid;

(2S)-3-{4-[({4-[(2-Cyclohexylacetyl)amino]-1-piperidinyl}carbonyl) oxy]phenyl}-2-[((2S)-2-{[2-(2-cyclohexylphenoxy)acetyl]amino}-4-methyl pentanoyl)amino]propanoic acid;

and salts and solvates thereof.

40. A compound of formula (I) which is:

(2S)-2-[((2S)-2-{[2-(2-Iodophenoxy)acetyl]amino}-4-methyl pentanoyl)amino]-3-{4-[(4-morpholinylcarbonyl)oxy]phenyl}propanoic acid;

(2S)-2-{[(2S)-2-({2-[2-(Tert-butyl)phenoxy]acetyl}amino)-4-methyl pentanoyl]amino}-3-{4-[(4-morpholinylcarbonyl)oxy]phenyl}propanoic acid;

(2S)-3-(4-{[(4-Acetyl-1-piperazinyl)carbonyl]oxy}phenyl)-2-{[(2S)-2-({2-[2-(tert-butyl)phenoxy]acetyl}amino)-4-methylpentanoyl]amino}propanoic acid;

(2S)-2-[((2S)-2-{[2-(2-Cyclohexylphenoxy)acetyl]amino}-4-methyl pentanoyl)amino]-3-{4-[(4-morpholinylcarbonyl)oxy]phenyl}propanoic acid;

(2S)-2-{[(2S)-2-({2-[2-(Tert-butyl)phenoxy]acetyl}amino)-4-methyl pentanoyl]amino}-3-{4-[({4-[(2-phenylacetyl)amino]-1-piperidinyl}carbonyl) oxy] phenyl}propanoic acid;

(2S)-3-(4-{[(4-Benzoyl-1-piperazinyl)carbonyl]oxy}phenyl)-2-{[(2S)-2-({2-[2-(tert-butyl)phenoxy]acetyl}amino)-4-methylpentanoyl]amino}propanoic acid;

(2S)-3-(4-{[(4-Acetyl-1-piperazinyl)carbonyl]oxy}phenyl)-2-({(2S)-2-[(dibenzo[b,d]furan-4-ylcarbonyl)amino]-4-methylpentanoyl}amino)propanoic acid;
(2S)-2-{[(2S)-2-({2-[2-(Tert-butyl)phenoxy]acetyl}amino)-4-methyl pentanoyl]amino}-3-[4-({[4-(2-furoyl)-1-piperazinyl]carbonyl}oxy)phenyl] propanoic acid;
(2S)-2-({(2S)-2-[(Dibenzo[b,d]furan-4-ylcarbonyl)amino]-4-methyl pentanoyl}amino)-3-[4-({[4-(2-furoyl)-1-piperazinyl]carbonyl}oxy)phenyl] propanoic acid;
(2S)-3-(4-{[(4-Benzoyl-1-piperazinyl)carbonyl]oxy}phenyl)-2-[((2S)-4-methyl-2-{[2-(2-methylphenoxy)acetyl]amino}pentanoyl)amino]propanoic acid;
(2S)-3-(4-{[(4-Benzoyl-1-piperazinyl)carbonyl]oxy}phenyl)-2-({(2S)-2-[(dibenzo[b,d]furan-4-ylcarbonyl)amino]-4-methylpentanoyl}amino)propanoic acid;
and salts and solvates thereof.

41. A compound of formula (I) which is:
(2S)-3-(4-{[(4-Acetyl-1-piperazinyl)carbonyl]oxy}phenyl)-2-[((2S)-4-methyl-2-{[2-(2-methylphenoxy)acetyl]amino}pentanoyl)amino]propanoic acid;
(2S)-3-[4-({[4-(Aminocarbonyl)-1-piperidinyl]carbonyl}oxy)phenyl]-2-({(2S)-2-[(dibenzo[b,d]furan-4-ylcarbonyl)amino]-4-methylpentanoyl}amino) propanoic acid;
(2S)-3-[4-({[4-(Aminocarbonyl)-1-piperidinyl]carbonyl}oxy)phenyl]-2-{[(2S)-2-({2-[2-(tert-butyl)phenoxy]acetyl}amino)-4-methylpentanoyl]amino} propanoic acid;
(2S)-2-[((2S)-4-Methyl-2-{[2-(2-methylphenoxy)acetyl]amino} pentanoyl)amino]-3-{4-[(4-morpholinylcarbonyl)oxy]phenyl}propanoic acid;
(2S)-3-[4-({[4-(Aminocarbonyl)-1-piperidinyl]carbonyl}oxy)phenyl]-2-[((2S)-2-{[2-(2-benzoylphenoxy)acetyl]amino}-4-methylpentanoyl)amino] propanoic acid;
(2S)-2-{[(2S)-2-({2-[4-(Aminocarbonyl)phenoxy]acetyl}amino)-4-methylpentanoyl]amino}-3-[4-({[4-(aminocarbonyl)-1-piperidinyl]carbonyl}oxy) phenyl]propanoic acid;
and salts and solvates thereof.

42. A compound of formula (I) which is:
(2S)-3-[4-({[4-(Aminocarbonyl)-1-piperidinyl]carbonyl}oxy)phenyl]-2-[((2S)-4-methyl-2-{[2-(2-methylphenoxy)acetyl]amino}pentanoyl)amino] propanoic acid or a salt or solvate thereof.

43. A compound of formula (I) according to claim 42 which is:
(2S)-3-[4-({[4-(Aminocarbonyl)-1-piperidinyl]carbonyl}oxy)phenyl]-2-[((2S)-4-methyl-2-{[2-(2-methylphenoxy)acetyl]amino}pentanoyl)amino] propanoic acid potassium salt or a solvate thereof.

44. A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of formula (I) as defined in claim 29 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or solvate thereof in admixture with one or more pharmaceutically acceptable diluents or carriers.

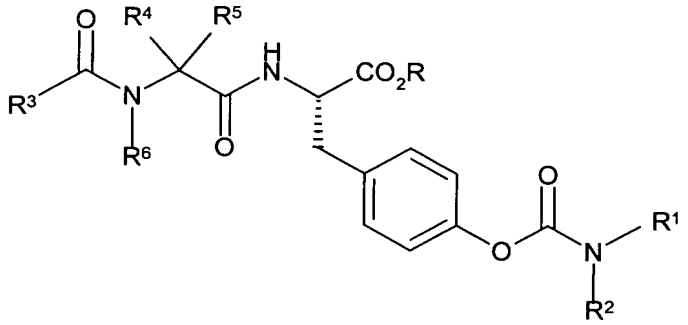
45. A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of formula (I) according to claim 29 or a physiologically acceptable salt or solvate thereof in combination together with a long acting β_2 adrenergic receptor agonist.

46. A compound of formula (I) as defined in claim 29 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or solvate thereof for use as a pharmaceutical.

47. A method of treatment or prophylaxis of inflammatory diseaseseg. asthma which comprises administering to a patient an effective amount of a compound of formula (I) as defined in claim 29 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or solvate thereof.

48. A process for preparation of a compound of formula (I) as defined in claim29 which comprises

(a) hydrolysis of a carboxylic acid ester of formula (II)

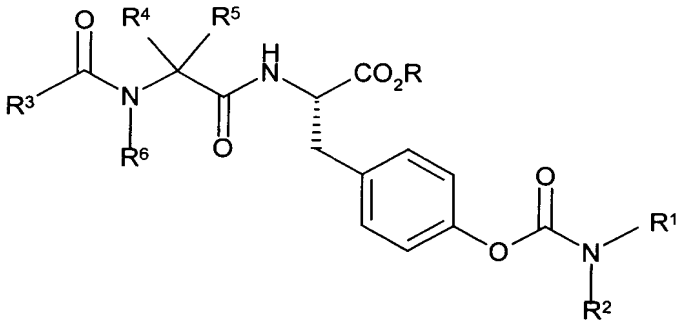


(II)

wherein R^1, R^2, R^3, R^4, R^5 and R^6 are as defined in claim 29 and R is a group capable of forming a carboxylic acid ester; or

(b) deprotecting a compound of formula (I) which is protected.

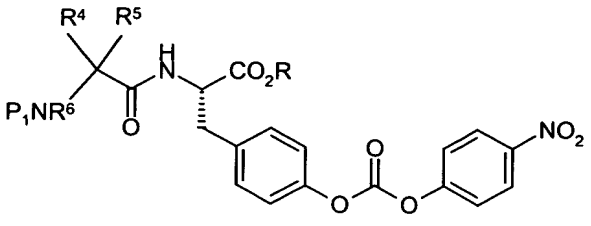
49. A compound of formula (II)



(II)

wherein R^1, R^2, R^3, R^4, R^5 and R^6 are as defined in claim 29 and R is a group capable of forming a carboxylic acid ester.

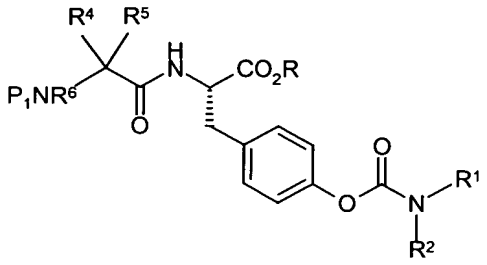
50. A compound of formula (VI)



(VI)

wherein P_1 represents Boc, R^4, R^5 and R^6 are as defined in claim 29, and R represents a group capable of forming a carboxylic acid ester.

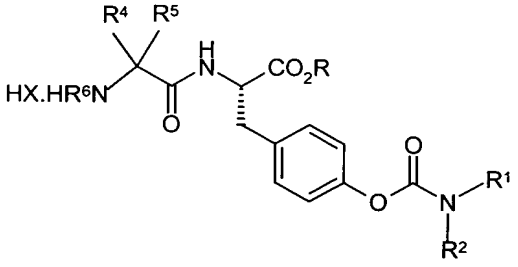
51. A compound of formula (VII)



(VII)

wherein P_1 represents Boc, R^1, R^2, R^4, R^5 and R^6 are as defined in claim 29, and R represents a group capable of forming a carboxylic acid ester.

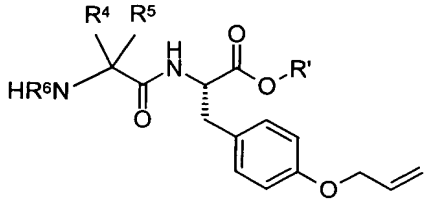
52. A compound of formula (VIII)



(VIII)

wherein R^1, R^2, R^4, R^5 and R^6 are as defined in claim 29, HX is a hydrohalic acid and R represents a group capable of forming a carboxylic acid ester.

53. A compound of formula (XIII)



(XIII)

wherein R^4, R^5 and R^6 are as defined in claim 29 and R' represents a hydroxy functionalised polystyrene resin.